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Reply to Attn of:

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**TO:** Distribution

**FROM:** Associate General Counsel (General)

**SUBJECT:** Determination Regarding Attendance at the Space Policy Institute Dinner in Washington, DC, on May 22, 2007

The Space Policy Institute of George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs will hold a space policy dinner at the Primi Piatti Restaurant, 2013 I Street, NW, Washington, DC, May 22, 2007.

The dinner will include a talk by Lt. General Michael Hamel, the Commander of the Space and Missile Systems Center of the Air Force Space Command. Lt. General Hamel will speak on the "The Contributions of International Cooperation to Space Security." Approximately 110 individuals representing various sectors of the Washington, DC space community—Congress and the executive branch, industry, advocacy groups and academia—are expected to attend. The estimated cost of the dinner, which includes all food and beverages, is \$54 per person. While costs for the dinner will be supported by contributions from Lockheed Martin, Boeing, United Space Alliance, and the Aerospace Corporation, only the Space Policy Institute selects those to be invited.

I find that this event meets the requirements of a "widely attended gathering" as defined in 5 CFR § 2635.204(g). I further determine that there is an Agency interest in having NASA personnel attend the event. Accordingly, NASA employees whose duties do not substantially affect the George Washington University may accept an invitation for free attendance to the reception for themselves.

Any NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect the George Washington University, such as by way of procurement duties or the negotiation of an agreement, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding participation in this event from their local ethics counselor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Andrew Falcon".

R. Andrew Falcon